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23029

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 USC 371**

US. Application No. (if known)

10/522930INTERNATIONAL APP. NO.
PCT/EP2003/006968INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE
1 July 2003PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
26 July 2002

TITLE OF INVENTION

VENEER SLICING BLADEAPPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EU/US) the following .

1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 USC 317(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2)).
 - a. is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Patent Office.
6. A translation of the International application into English.
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)).
 - a. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. have not been made; however the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. have not been made and will not be made.
8. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)).
9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 USC 371(c)(4)).
10. A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 USC 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern documents or information included:

11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. An Assignment for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. A FIRST preliminary amendment.
- A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
14. A substitute specification.
15. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. Other items of information.

Drawing (3 sheets)

References

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17. The following fees are submitted:

Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5):

Search report has been prepared by the EPO or JP \$950.00

Int'l prel. exam. fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) \$750.00

No int'l prel. exam. fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)
but int'l search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) \$790.00Neither int'l prel. exam fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor
int'l search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO \$1000.00Intl. prel. exam. fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)
and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Art. 33(2-4) \$200.00**CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY****\$1,000****ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT**Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing oath or declaration later than 20 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).

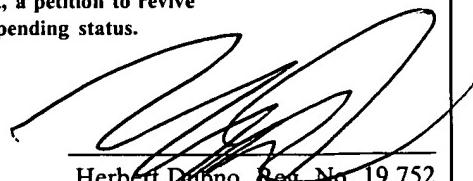
CLAIMS	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	
Total claims	6	0	\$50	\$0
Ind. claims	0	0	\$200	\$0
MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM(S) (if applicable) (see prel. amt.)		360		
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS			\$1,000	
Reduction of ½ for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity Statement must also be filed (37 CFR 1.2, 1.27, 1.28)			\$0	
SUBTOTAL			\$1,000	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE			\$1,000	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The Assignment may be accompanied by an appropriate PTO-1595 cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.39)			\$40	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED			\$1,040	
		Amt to be refunded		
		Amt to be charged		

- a. A check in the amount of \$1000 to cover the above fees is enclosed
- b. Please charge my deposit account 18-2025 \$00.00 to cover the above fees. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- c. Please charge the amount due to the credit card identified in the attached PTO-2038.
- d. The commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to deposit account 18-2025. A copy of this sheet is enclosed
- e. A PTO-2038 in the amount of \$40 to cover recordal of the Assignment is enclosed

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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County of the Bronx) ss:

TRANSLATOR'S AFFIDAVIT

I, Andrew M. Wilford, a citizen of the United States of America, residing in Dobbs Ferry, New York, depose and state that:

I am familiar with the English and German languages;

I have read a copy of the German-language document attached hereto, namely PCT Application PCT/EP2003/006968 published as WO 2004/014621; and

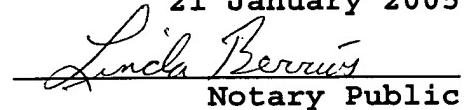
The hereto-attached English-language text is an accurate translation of the above-identified German-language document.



Andrew M. Wilford

LINDA BERRIOS
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Qualified in Bronx County
Commission expires August 23, 2005

Sworn to and subscribed before me
21 January 2005



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